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ABSTRACT

This document is a legislative proposal submitted in the U. S. House of Representatives for the funding of a summer sports program for disadvantaged youths. The proposed program would seek to provide such people with an opportunity for sports instruction and competition in a context of high quality facilities and supervision, including instruction concerning employment, study and career opportunities, association with college instructors and athletes, and exposure to college and university campuses. Proposed expenditures are \$5 million for FY 1977, \$7 million for FY 1978, and \$10 million for each fiscal year thereafter for the life of the bill. (HB)

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95TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 2138

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 19, 1977

Mr. ROE introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor

A BILL

To authorize a national summer youth sports program.

- 1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 *That this Act may be cited as the "National Summer Youth*
4 *Sports Program Act of 1977".*

5 STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

- 6 SEC. 2. The Congress finds that disadvantaged youth
7 benefit from participation in a program concentrated in the
8 summer months, with an opportunity for continued activities
9 throughout the year, which provides sports instruction and
10 competition in a context of high quality facilities and super-
11 vision and includes instruction concerning employment and

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1 study and career opportunities, regular association with col-
2 lege instructors and athletes and exposure to college and
3 university campuses. Such program creates an opportunity
4 to help equip these youth with new skills, enhanced apprecia-
5 tion of their abilities and a broader perspective on the educa-
6 tional and employment opportunities available to them. The
7 Congress further finds that such a program has been success-
8 fully conducted in recent years by the National Collegiate
9 Athletic Association and various participating colleges and
10 universities in cooperation with the President's Council on
11 Physical Fitness and Sports, that the combination of Federal
12 funds and college resources offers leaders in education and
13 athletics an opportunity and a challenge to perform a needed
14 service which they are uniquely qualified to provide, and
15 that this program should be authorized on a permanent basis.

16 **PROGRAM AUTHORIZED**

17 SEC. 3. (a) The Secretary of Health, Education, and
18 Welfare (hereinafter referred to as the "Secretary") shall
19 make grants or enter into contracts for the conduct of an
20 annual national summer youth sports program concentrated
21 in the summer months, with opportunity for continued ac-
22 tivities throughout the year, designed to offer disadvantaged
23 youth living in areas of concentrated poverty an opportunity
24 to receive educational instruction, sports instruction, and
25 health and nutritional services, and to participate in educa-
26 tional programs and sports competitions.

1 (b) Programs under this Act shall be administered by
2 the Secretary, through grants or contracts with the National
3 Collegiate Athletic Association or any other qualified na-
4 tional organization of colleges and universities. Each such
5 grant or contract shall contain provisions to assure that the
6 program to be assisted will—

7 (1) expand educational opportunities for disadvan-
8 tagged youths, designed to provide an opportunity to en-
9 gage in competitive sports and benefit from sports skills
10 instruction;

11 (2) help young people learn good health practices
12 and become better citizens by utilizing the personnel
13 and facilities of higher education;

14 (3) enable the contractor and institutions of higher
15 education located conveniently to areas of concentrated
16 poverty and their personnel to participate more fully in
17 community life and in the solution of community
18 problems;

19 (4) provide a combination of employment and on-
20 the-job training in sports instruction and administration;
21 and

22 (5) serve major metropolitan centers of the United
23 States as well as other areas, within the limits of pro-
24 gram resources.

25 Local projects under any such program will be conducted
26 under approved contracts between the principal contractor

1 or grantee and selected institutions of higher education
2 qualified to carry out a program under this Act.

3 **PAYMENTS**

4 **SEC. 4. (a)** Except where the Secretary determines that
5 unusual circumstances make a larger percentage necessary
6 to effectuate the purposes of this Act, a contract under
7 this Act with respect to any program may not provide for
8 payment of more than 80 per centum of the direct costs in-
9 curred in carrying out the total program. The non-Federal
10 share may be cash or in-kind contributions.

11 **(b)** Payments under this Act may be made in advance
12 or by way of reimbursement, and in such installments and
13 on such conditions as the Secretary deems necessary to carry
14 out the purposes of this Act.

15 **LIMITATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES**

16 **SEC. 5. (a)** No principal grantee or contractor under
17 this Act may charge any fee for general and administrative
18 expenses of supervising a program assisted under this Act.
19 Each such grantee or contractor shall be responsible for
20 financing all of its own expenses from sources other than
21 this Act.

22 **(b)** No institution of higher education with which the
23 principal grantee or contractor enters into a contract under
24 this Act may charge any fee for general and administrative

1 expenses incurred in operating a program assisted under
2 this Act.

3 **AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS**

4 **SEC. 6.** There are authorized to be appropriated \$5,-
5 000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1978, and
6 \$7,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1979, and
7 \$10,000,000 for each fiscal year thereafter prior to July 1,
8 1981, to carry out the provisions of this Act.

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